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This application is abandoned in view of:		
 Applicant's failure to timely file a proper reply to the Office letter mailed on <u>26 July 2005</u>. A reply was received on (with a Certificate of Mailing or Transmission dated), which is after the expiration of the period for reply (including a total extension of time of month(s)) which expired on 		
(b) A proposed reply was received on, but it does	not constitute a proper reply under 3	7 CFR 1.113 (a) to the final rejection.
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(d) ⊠ No reply has been received.		
2. Applicant's failure to timely pay the required issue fee and publication fee, if applicable, within the statutory period of three months from the mailing date of the Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85).		
(a) The issue fee and publication fee, if applicable, was received on (with a Certificate of Mailing or Transmission dated), which is after the expiration of the statutory period for payment of the issue fee (and publication fee) set in the Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85).		
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3. Applicant's failure to timely file corrected drawings as required by, and within the three-month period set in, the Notice of Allowability (PTO-37).		
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(b) \square No corrected drawings have been received.		
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